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11. (C) On October 20, 2008, Poloff met with Juri Kahn, Division Director for the Middle East at the Estonian MFA to discuss the points in reftel. Kahn reported that after consulting with the Estonian Office of Migration, the Government of Estonia has decided they are not able to accept a Palestinian detainee from Guantanamo Bay. According to Kahn, it did not appear as if this individual would qualify for asylum or refugee status, so accepting him would not be in accordance with current Estonian legislation.

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